



LMC Mini – Facer^{©™®}

USERS MANUAL



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Introduction

Thank you for purchasing the Mini Facer ®™ ©.

This easy to use manual driven flange facing apparatus is designed to help the user to recondition flange gasket seating area's .

Below User Manual is drawn up to help you operate and maintain the MiniFacer in a safe way.

The Manual has 4 chapters , added also are recommendations and drawings thus to foresee in maximum information .

PREFACE

Contains information about the use of this user manual

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1. Introduction

General information about the LMC MiniFacer , the function and the demands that are requested for the conditions of use and also the operator

2. Safety

Describes the most important safety risc's , safety precautions to follow from the operator / user . also the meaning of the safety symbols on the MinFacer®™©

3. Transport and Storage

This chapter gives instruction for transport , maintenance and storage of the MiniFacer®™©

4. Operating the MiniFacer®™©

Describes how to use the MiniFacer®™©

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1 Introduction

1.1 Product description

The LMC Mini – Facer^{TM®} is per definition not a machine but a manual driven tool to obtain flat facing of different type and diameters of flanges .

The MiniFacer is designed to do refacing of flat face flanges of various materials.

The tool provides in a gramophone finish thus to create optimum gasket contact and gasket seating conditions.

Due to the integrated feed spindle , which is taking care of the cutting tool feed ,whilest turning the machine and keeping the feed knob , the required surface finish is obtained .

The MiniFacer is supplied with 2 feed spindles. Standard the ASME B 16.5 spindle is mounted . And the other spindle is in the case . Both spindles are engraved on the feed nut .

Mounted spindle :

ASME B 16.5 is for “ stock finish = 6.3 to 12.5µm “ according to ASME specification

In the case

Nr 2 is for “ Smooth finish =3.2 to 6.3 µm “ . this finish is used for other types of flanges and gaskets

These surface conditions are commonly used in flange face finish .



For special surface finish requirements we can supply specific tooling
please contact your dealer for info and or availability .

The MiniFacer has a yellow/gold color body finish , to improve visibility this body carries a unique serial nr engraved into the body of the tool below the text “ LMC Mini Facer^{TM®} ”

The MiniFacer ^{TM®} is delivered in a sturdy carry case with slotted pockets to store components from the tool .

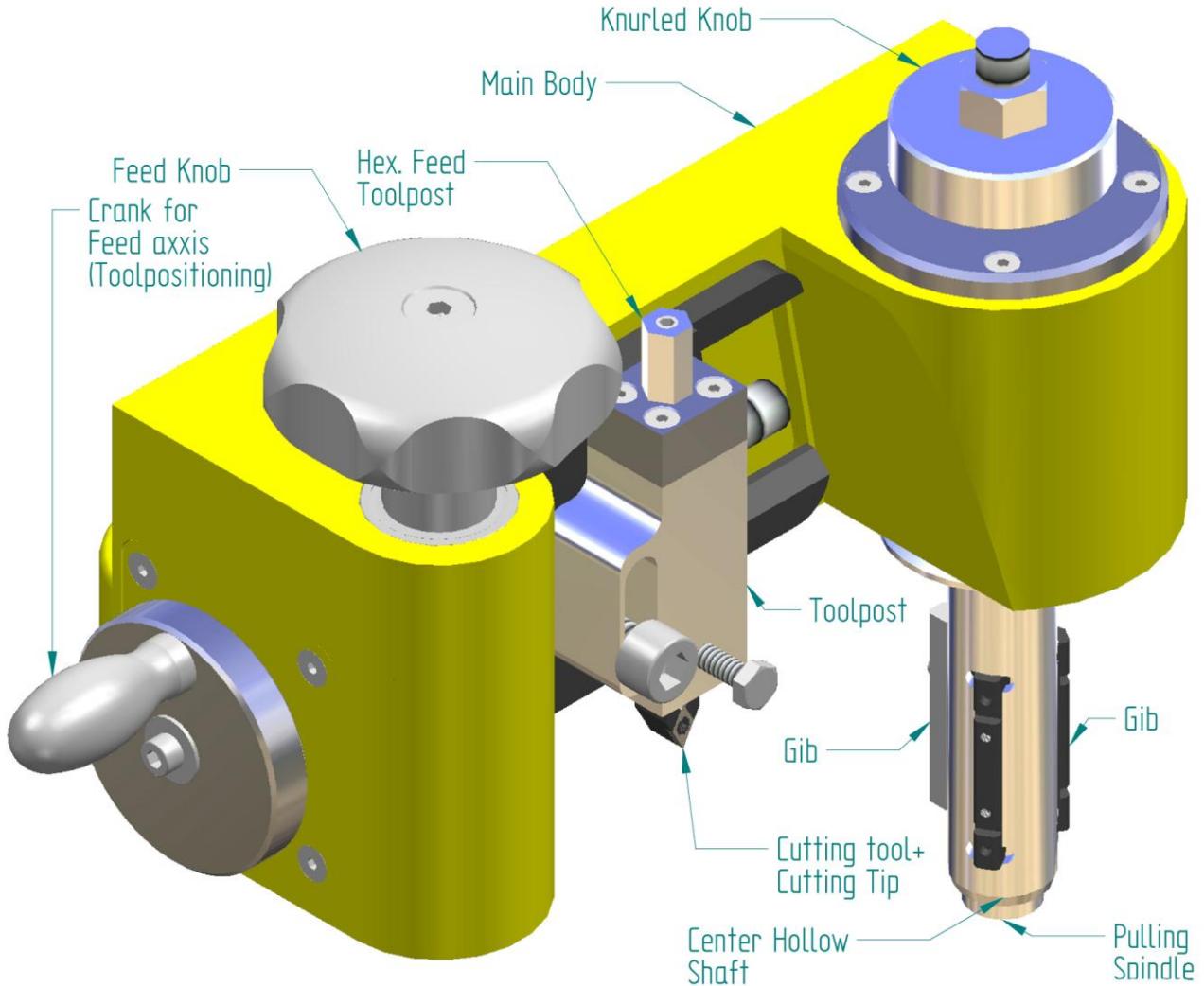
The internal clamping diameter range of the LMC Mini – Facer^{TM®} is
From +/- 1” to 10” => 24 mm to 250 mm (with the std supplied clamping gibs)



The facing diameter range of the LMC Mini-Facer ^{TM®} is
from 1” – to 14” => 24 mm to 355 mm

1.2 Mainparts indication of the MiniFacer^{TM®C}

De LMC Mini – Facer^{TM®} is built from a number of principle parts , indicated on below picture.



1.3 Conditions of use

The Minifacer ©® shall only be used in the following conditions . .

- Make sure the operator / user of LMC Mini – Facer©® has read and understood the User Manual
- All Safety precautions are fulfilled .
- There is no damage to the LMC Mini – Facer©®
- No other condition to disturb normal working of the Minifacer applies .
- Maintenance and cleaning shall be taken care off and respected before all use .

1.4 Instructions for the user / operator



The LMC Mini – Facer©™ shall only be used by operators that are fully instructed and confident with the operation . Further more it is obligatory to wear in all conditions of use the necessary safety garments and clothing , such as : safety clothing , shoes , goggles . Avoid to wear loose clothing.

2 Safety precautions

2.1 Introduction

In this chapter the safety precautions are treated every operator using the MiniFacer shall follow these instructions in full . .



If there is any safety aspect unclear please check the Users manual or ask for more information from the safety advisor or from your dealer . .

In certain cases , specific additional safety precations might apply . Please inform and apply these instructions .

2.2 Applicable Safety precautions to follow

For a safe use of the LMC Mini – Facer©® it is required to respect a number of precautions . Thee are stipulated below ..

Personal protection :

- We advise to wear Safety shoes , safety goggles , gloves and applicable work clothing during the use of the LMC Mini – Facer©®.



- Assure that all setting components or loose elements (e.g. the grippers the cutting toolholder) of the MiniFacer are tightened or fixed the way they should be .
- Check that there are no external damages on LMC Mini – Facer©® .
- Assure that the piping you work on is fully safe to work at and no dangerous and harmful products are present .
- Always work in the most ergonomical way . Thus to avoid injuries from the back or other inconvenient problems of health . .
- Also assure people in the direct surrounding wear the necessary personal protection means
- Check before starting to operate that there is no obstacle that can cause injury or damage to the Minifacer®™©
- Also assure that the operators fysical condition is okay to do this kind of work in the conditions that apply during the work ;

Safety measures during the use of the MinifacerTM[®]

- Wear the prescribed personal protection means during the use .
- E.g. Safety goggles , working clothing , safety boots , etc etc
- The wear of tight fit long sleeve working clothes is required since the swarf can be very warm and sharp , thus might cause injury .
- Make sure the collet is always firmly tightened so that the MinifacerTM[®] does not come loose during the turning operation .



Do not wear loose garment , jewelery(such as rings etc) or loose hair during the work. These can cause jamming of fingers or other injuries and might lead to other dangerous situations ..

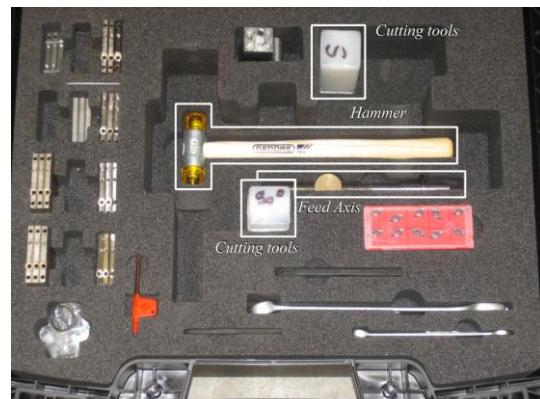
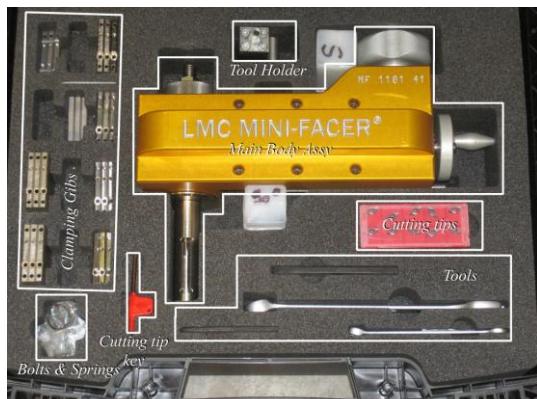
Note: Before every use of the Mini facer make sure no dirt, swarf or other components can fall into the flange bore (pipe).

3 Transport and Storage of the MinifacerTM[®]

3.1 Transport

De LMC Mini – FacerTM[®] is supplied in a sturdy hard plastic compact carry case .

This sturdy carry case is suitable for the transport of the MinifacerTM[®]



Do assure that the latches at the front of the carry case are firmly closed before lifting , moving, manipulating or carrying the case .

To protect the outside shell of the carry case , it is recommended to cover the case in a bubble film or full covering box when shipping .

shipping data : - dimensions : (45 x 51 x 19) cm
 - weight : 13 kg.

Check after every transport that the case is intact and no damage has occurred .

In case of any damage ,replace the carry case for safety reasons and to avoid loss of tooling.

All perifical tooling is also in this carry case . All tooling has a proper place in the box (cutout spaces foreseen) and is therewith clearly visible for the user .



During transporting the MinifacerTM[®] case shall be fixed as load . Never put any heavy stuff on the MinifacerTM[®] thus to avoid damage of the tool and the carry case .

3.2 Storage

- **Always store the Minifacer^{TM®} in a dry and clean place .**
- After every use dry and clean the Minifacer with a clean cloth. Make sure that there is no swarf or metal particles in or at the Minifacer because they can disturb the clamping aswel as the movement for normal operation . Remove the clamping spindle out of the hollow center shaft center , clean , inspect and lubricate slightly with a smooth film of spindle oil and put back into position.
- Then inspect to tool for eventual damage or loose parts (e.g. bolts) etc (If any loose parts repair or send to your agent for repair)
- After cleaning and inspection , lubricate the slides and spindle with a film of spindle oil, never use WD 40 or similar .
- If stored for long term , then spray the mini facer with a protective spray layer such as Molykote 321D . Never use WD 40 or similar.

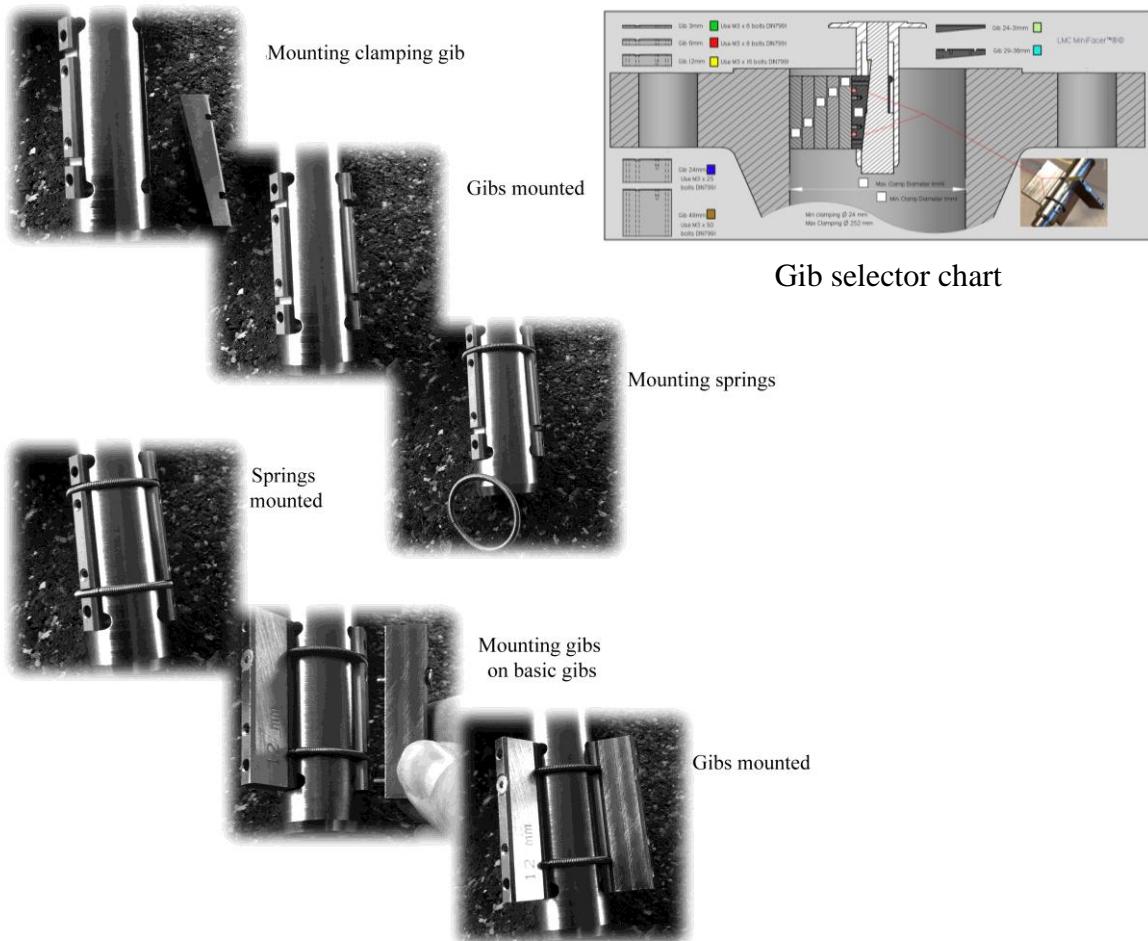
4 Operating the MinifacerTM®

4.1 Intro

Operating the MinifacerTM® is very simple . Though it is of great importance to respect and apply all safety precautions .

4.2 Machining with the MinifacerTM®

- 1) Fit the correct spindle for the required surface finish in the MiniFacer (stock finish or Smooth finish)
- 2) Check if the inside diam of the flange to machine is clean and does not show any obstruction or other elements that can disturb correct clamping of the gib, or center shaft).
- 3) Measure the “id” of the flange and select the correct clamping gib set for the diameter of the flange to machine . Use the gib selector chart . If necessary mount gibs on each other , use the suitable bolts and allen key. (See the gib selector chart).

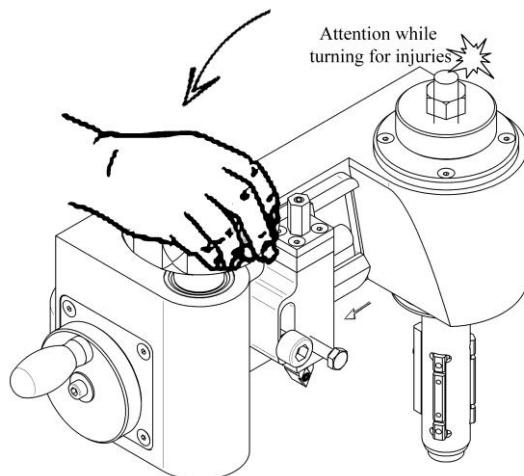


- 4) Turn the knurled knob so that the gibbs are in its smallest diameter position , but avoid that the gibbs are not in the groove.
- 5) The Minifacer is now ready to be fit into the bore of the flange.
- 6) Place the center shaft with the clamping set into the bore of the flange , keep the fingers around the clamping shaft and smoothly slide the clamps down into the bore . Position the clamps approx 2 mm lower then the face of the flange .
- 7) Turn the knurled know clockwise so the gibbs go out and start to clamp into the bore. While turning the knob slightly move the minifacer so that the centering is optimal. When the minifacer is in place , then use the 19 mm spanner (on the HEX on top of the knob) to firmly tighten the minifacer in place .
- 8) Place the cutting tool into the toolport . Check the cutting tip and replace if necessary. Assemble the toolpost onto the toolslide so that the cutting tip faces towards you.
- 9) Now lift the turning (Alu knob with finger indentions) to disengage the feed and position the cutting tool with the crank towards the inside of the flange to face.
- 10) Stop in the middle , release the fixing bolt on the toolpost , and feed down the cutting tool so that it just contacts the metal face . Then tighten the fixing bolt on the toolpost again. Position the cutting tool further inwards , until it has gone over the metal to machine (I.e. in a position that it is free)
- 11) Now engage the feed by pushing the Alu knob down . Grab the Alu knob with your hand and turn round counter clock wise . The feed system will now move the cutting tool automatically from inside to outside.

Important notice :

**DO NOT STOP TURNING WHEN
THE CUTTING TOOL IS
MACHINING AND NEVER TURN
INTO THE OPOSITE DIRECTION .**

Otherwise the surface finish is not even and the cutting tip might break off



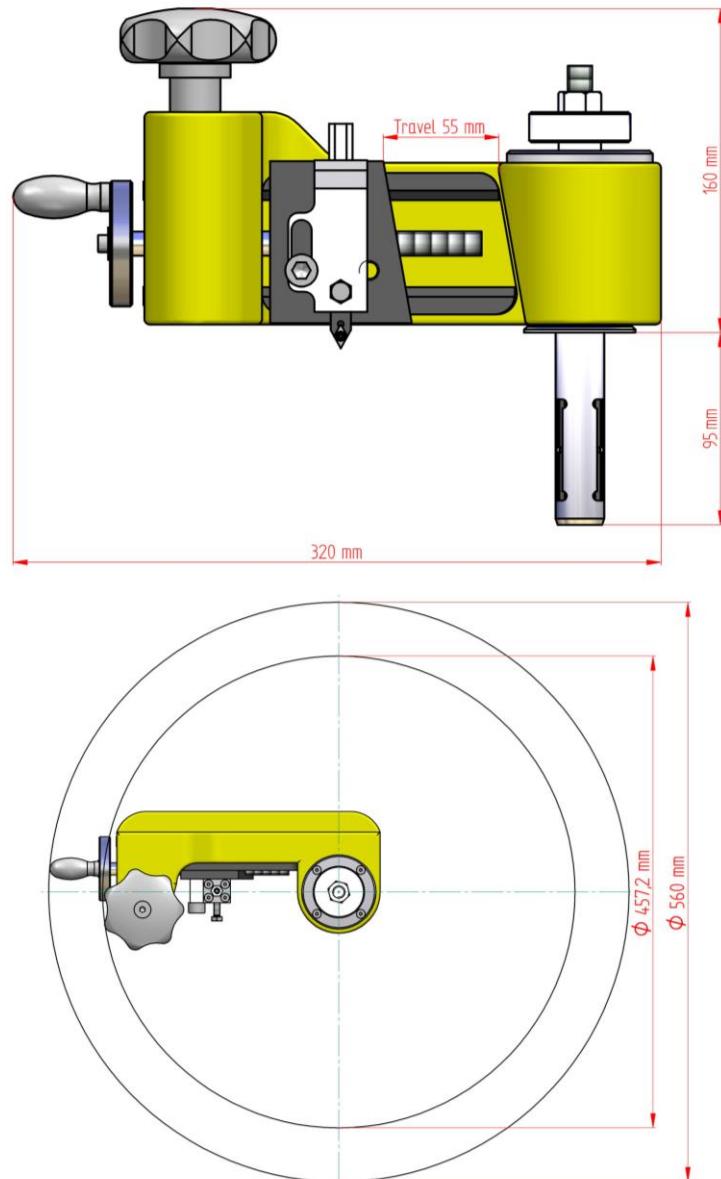
If the whole area is not touched , then lift the aluminium knob again , turn the cutting tip to the inside , release the fixing bolt on the toolpost , turn the cutting tip down for 1 1/12 revolution (equals +/- 0.1 mm down feed) . And repeat the machining operation . Repeat this until the whole gasket area is done .

12) Turn until the cutting tip is over the metal to machine (outside the gasket face)

13) When the operation is done and the gasket face is evenly machined , the job is ready

14) To take the Minifacer out of the flange , remove the toolpost (Alan bolt) , then release the hex (19 mm) center knurled knob . Then support the Minifacer with your one hand and , tap the center shaft with the plastic hammer . then the clamps will come loose and the minifacer can be taken out of the bore .

4.3 Dimensions



Please ask your distributor for more info if you find any problem operating the MinifacerTM®